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**New Jersey State Board of  
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK  
THERAPY

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IN THE MATTER OF THE  
CERTIFICATION OF

HAE SOOK PARK

FINAL ORDER OF  
DENIAL OF CERTIFICATION/  
LICENSE

AS A MASSAGE, BODYWORK AND  
SOMATIC THERAPIST

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This matter was opened to the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee (the Committee) upon receipt of information which the Board has reviewed and the following findings of fact and conclusions of law are made:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Hae Sook Park applied for certification by the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapy Examining Committee by means of an application dated September 10, 2011.

2. Ms. Park underwent a criminal history background check which indicated that Ms. Park had been arrested on February 8, 2003 in New York for unauthorized practice of a profession and prostitution. Ms. Park was found guilty on March 9, 2004 of

disorderly conduct on March 10, 2004. Ms. Park had also been arrested on February 18, 2010 in Virginia for unlawful conduct related to a business, but was found not guilty.

3. Ms. Park was asked to explain the facts and circumstances that led to her arrests in New York and in Virginia in a letter dated December 12, 2011; and February 10, 2012 to provide an explanation as to the facts and circumstances that led to the arrests. She was also asked to provide transcripts of sentencing.

4. Ms. Park indicated that she believed she had been arrested for making noise in a store in 2003, and was unaware that she had been arrested for prostitution. Ms. Park further indicated that with respect to the 2010 arrest, she had been helping a friend by cooking and cleaning for employees in her friend's store, and had been arrested. No transcripts of sentencing have been provided.

5. Ms. Park's explanation as to the facts and circumstances that led to her arrests, particularly the arrest for prostitution, is inadequate, in that it can provide the Committee with no understanding of the reason for the arrests.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Ms. Park's inadequate explanation of the facts and circumstances that led to the arrests in 2003 and 2010, particularly with regard to an arrest on a charge relating

adversely to massage and bodywork therapy, constitutes a failure to cooperate with a Committee investigation within the intendment of N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.2, -1.3, subjecting Ms. Park to sanctions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e).

Based on the foregoing findings and conclusions, a Provisional Order of Denial of Certification was entered on July 13, 2012, provisionally denying Ms. Park's application for certification. A copy of the Order was forwarded to Ms. Park by certified and regular mail at her address of record. The Provisional Order was subject to finalization at 5:00 p.m. on the 30<sup>th</sup> business day following entry unless Ms. Park requested a modification or dismissal of the stated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law by submitting a written request for modification or dismissal setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed and submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting Ms. Park's request for consideration and reasons therefor.

Although the record reflects that the certified mailing of the Order was signed for, and the regular mailing was not returned, no response has been received to date. The Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy ("Board") has replaced the Committee as of September 4, 2012 pursuant to P.L. 2007, c. 377, the "Massage and Bodywork Therapist Licensing Act." The Board

considered the matter, and found that service had been effected. The Board further determined that additional proceedings were not warranted, inasmuch as no discrepancies had been raised with respect to the findings of fact and conclusions of law, and that the Provisional Order should be made final.

ACCORDINGLY,

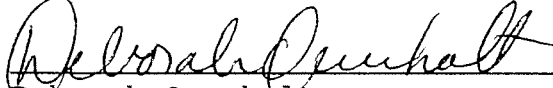
IT IS on this *8<sup>th</sup>* DAY of *January*, ~~2012,~~ *2013* *tc*

ORDERED that:

1. Ms. Park's application for certification as a Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapist in New Jersey, deemed as of September 4, 2012 to constitute an application for licensure, is hereby denied. No application for licensure will be entertained for a minimum of six months following the finalization of any order of denial in this matter. The Board will consider any re-application only if a sufficient explanation of respondent's prior conduct is provided.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF  
MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY

By:



Deborah Overholt  
Chairperson